

## **SAM Committee Meeting Minutes 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021**

In attendance; Kev Colmer, Martin Surrey, Andy Bourne, Roger Moffatt, Dave Parker, Callum Bremner, Jez Martin, Tom Moore, Graham Tulloch, Tony Sauer, Georges Dupuis, Janet Short, Lisa Parsons.

Apologies; RAB Lavender, Jim Donnelly.

The meeting started at 7.00pm.

Agenda;

### **\*Matters arising from last meeting**

None.

### **\*Chair Report**

1. Subject access request received currently being worked through which may need input from the committee to make a decision.
2. GPDR. Some SAM members do not have specific SAM email addresses and the question of governance was discussed. After much discussion it was ultimately decided that if any committee member who doesn't have an official SAM email address but would like one, should contact Jez Martin and he will set one up.
3. BBQ. Overall feedback would suggest that the event went well; many thanks to Callum for organising it. There is, however, an excess of alcohol remaining and there was a discussion about what to do with it. Kev was going to check use by dates and the actual quantity. We could save for a next social event if the shelf life is sufficient or, potentially, sell off at C&T events. The first thing is to know the size of the problem; Kev to report back.

### **\*IAM RoadSmart**

Nothing to report.

### **\*Merchandise**

1. Nathan has given up the role as he is moving. Merchandise is currently with Kev. 2 items of clothing sold at the BBQ.
2. Email to be sent out to members to advertise the role.

### **\*Recruitment**

1. Georges reported that things are fairly quiet but there are still a number of people making enquiries. Roger reported that 9 Taster Rides had been conducted during August, making a total of 56 for the year so far.

### **\*Treasurer's Report**

1. RAB unavailable for the meeting but has sent the current financial report which will be made available with these minutes.

### **\*Membership**

1. The vast majority of members have rejoined; we have lost one or two, but gained two by the end of August and therefore membership levels remain at approximately 270.

### **\*Full Chat**

1. A bit of a delay in posting to the website but now resolved.

2. 280 copies printed this time.

3. Graham requested that Observers advise him when an Associate has passed their test for inclusion in Full Chat. From the subsequent discussion amongst committee members, it would appear that it is virtually impossible to interrogate IAM data to establish the current status of members. Tony and Dave to send their data to Tom to check and then Kev to contact Sean Cronin to advise of the difficulties.

### **\*Events**

1. Healthy events calendar with even ad-hoc ride-outs being organised and promoted on FB page as well as via email.

2. SWPR. Jez now has sufficient volunteers for checkpoints etc.

3. The events calendar needs an update where advertised rides still need a ride leader.

### **\*Advertising**

1. Nothing to report although there is a question mark over whether or not Nathan will continue in the role following his move.

### **\*Observer Matters**

Nothing to report.

### **\*Members Rep Report**

1. Janet wanted to clarify that suggestions sent to the committee for response are not hers but come from members themselves.

2. Facebook blocking. If individuals block others from seeing something posted on their own account that is up to them. Posting something direct on the SAM FB page will not result in anyone being blocked from seeing it. If, however, an individual shares their post with the SAM FB page then this will result in only friends within SAM seeing the post. This is a FB issue not a SAM issue.

3. SAM Members Survey. A draft has been sent to committee members prior to being sent out. Once responses are received, Janet will send the survey out to club members.

### **\*Members Rep Report – continued**

4. New member articles for Full Chat – work in progress.

5. BikeSafe two day course. We do not have the resource to run the second day on a regular basis. It was suggested that we could have leaflets promoting Taster Rides rather than committing a number of Observers.

6. Social Events. The question was asked if events such as the BBQ would become regular ones. Callum would not want to organise another one; designed to be a one-off event after lockdowns. Jez raised the point that we are a road safety charity and need to be careful about running subsidised social events on a regular basis. Therefore any future social event would have to be self-funding and members should be asked if they would want to pay for such things.

### **\*AOB**

1. We are marshalling (8 or 9 members) a cycle event on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September for Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance. Hopefully we will get some photos out of it.

2. From the Chair's Zoom meeting the Slow Riding Event wasn't discussed; will there be one next year. Jez to discuss with Mark if he is prepared to run another one.

### **\*Next Meeting**

Date to be discussed between Kev and Andy; maybe before Christmas, possibly in the new year.

The meeting concluded at 8.00pm.